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Please find the following document(s) attached:

- 1) Fee Transmittal (1 page)
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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8	-21* = 0	x 18 = 0
Independent	1	-3** = 0
Multiple Dependent		x 86 = 0

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1201 86	2201 43			Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145			Multiple dependent claim. If not paid
1204 85	2204 43			** Release independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9			** Release claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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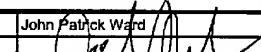
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1052 50	2052 25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	2053 130			Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252 420	2252 210			Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475			Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165			Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 290	2403 145			Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1,510			Petition to Institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 865			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503 640	2503 320			Plant issue fee	
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1809 770	2809 385			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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Serial No.: 09/475,643) Examiner: Cruz, Lourdes C.
Filed: December 30, 1999) Art Unit: 2827
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and to consider the following remarks.

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